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11 a.m. Auction of Surplus Stores, at
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Miscellaneous.

8.30 p.m. Opening of Educational
Classes of Young Men's Christian Asso-
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General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 10:—

Goods per *Scythia* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on the date subject to rent.

Transfer Books of The Green Island
Cement Co., Ltd., closed from this
date to the 14th inst., inclusive.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

FRIDAY, April 11:—

Goods per *Pekin* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on the date subject to rent.

2 p.m.—Auction of Old and Rare Postage
Stamps at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's
Sales Rooms.

SATURDAY, April 12:—

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at the
Company's Office.

MONDAY, April 14:—

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at the
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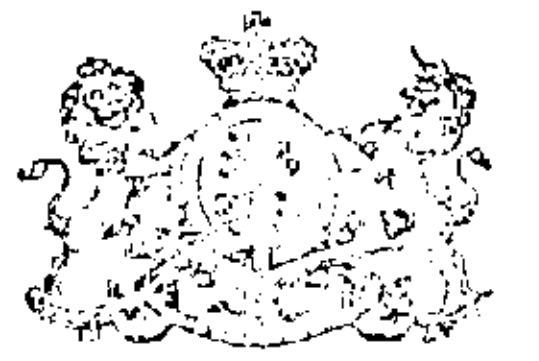
TUESDAY, April 15:—

Noon.—Tenders for the Construction and
Supply of a Steel Screw Steam Yacht
for the Government of the Straits Set-
tlements, received at the Colonial
Secretary's Office, Singapore.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Chapter.

WEDNESDAY, April 23:—

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March 31, ALFRED LLOYD, aged 25 years.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1902.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

When the Colony was
smitten by a plague for
economy a few years ago,
and a Special Commission
was appointed to suggest
ways and means of retrenchment, the
Police Force and Fire Brigade were two
of the branches of the Government
service which suffered most from the
pruning knife. Experience has taught
most of us that these attempts at
economy were misdirected. The pay
and treatment of the Police Force were
subjected to a considerable amount of
public comment last year, until remedies
were brought forward for existing
abuses and the grievances of the men
received more attention in high places.
The severe losses the Colony has sus-
tained by fire during the last few
months have directed public attention
to the Fire Brigade. It is suggested to
us that the Brigade requires immediate
attention. One gentleman interviewed
by us makes the following statement:—
"The Fire Brigade ought to be
reorganized at once. To do this, a
properly qualified and capable man
ought to be obtained from England. He
should have at least five permanent
European assistants of experience in
fire brigade work, and the present
system of assistance being rendered by
the Police should be established on a
more satisfactory basis. The policemen
who give their services as firemen should
receive at least \$20 per month, in
addition to their ordinary pay as
policemen, and should be given special
privileges for so acting. The present
Brigade does as well as we could expect
from amateurs, and are certainly not to
blame for the damage done in the recent
disastrous fires. With experienced and
trained firemen, there would be far less
damage by water than what we are ac-
customed to see in Hongkong, and there-
fore money saved by all concerned. In
the recent fires at Sharp's Godowns and
Musso's Godowns, much valuable prop-
erty was damaged by the inexperienced
use of water. The valuable property at
risk by the Government, Military and
Admiralty Departments surely calls for
the early establishment of a reorganized
Fire Brigade. The destruction of the
smallest Government building alone
could absorb more than the cost of a
year's upkeep of the Brigade, even if
run on the most elaborate scale."

These are reasonable suggestions, but
it may seem to some people not interest-
ed in insurance business that in consid-
eration of the large amount of money tak-
en out of the Colony every year by the
Insurance Companies—many of them
Foreign Companies which come in here
and compete on an equal footing with
our own national and local companies—
these Companies might do something to
lessen the expense for the taxpayer.
But, in any case, the Fire Brigade cer-
tainly requires enquiry and reform.
The ordinary fireman (who is also a
policeman) receives \$9 per month, and
the foreman \$16 per month. The state-
ment that damage is caused by in-
experience is probably well founded, and
if the Government applies to the Fire
Insurance Association it may be able to
obtain such useful information on a
subject, which, whatever the position of
the Insurance Companies, is of vital
importance to the Colony.

Singapore's Coronation Contingent.

The men of the Rifles who submitted
their names to the Adjutant as being desir-
ous of forming part of the detachment to
go home for the Coronation paraded on the
27th ult. at the Drill Hall, where they were
inspected by Major Murray, Commandant
S.V.C. The candidates numbered fifteen
in all, of which twelve were provisionally
selected, subject to the approval of H.E.
the Governor. Major Murray then address-
ed the men and informed them that the
Straits Contingents were to go home by the
P. & O. *Ceylon*, the men being accommodated
in cabins on the troop-deck. He also told
the men that they would have to attend
every drill, and those that did not do
this would be rejected. The following are
the names of the men selected:—
Sergeant T. C. B. Miller, Corporal H.
P. Hinderer, Lieut. Corporal J. A. S. Jean-
ings, Pte. Catto, Pte. Hankin, Pte. Burton,
Pte. Dane, Pte. Black, Pte. Day, Pte.
Carter, Pte. Corbett, and Pte. Crumpton.

It is easier to buy the good opinion of the
world than to merit it.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

This is the King of Denmark's birth-
day. He was born in 1818.

Colonel Marchand, on his arrival at
Moscow from China, was banquetted by
Russian officers.

It is stated by a Berlin newspaper
that the Emperor William will visit St.
Petersburg in July next.

The total number of deaths at Singa-
pore for the week ended March 22 was
177—a ratio per mille of 39.11. Fever
claimed forty-one victims.

Captain Sir Sherard Wrey, who retired
some time ago from the Navy, has been
appointed to the command of a troop in the
Royal North Devon Hussars.

To-day, Mr. Hazehand was engaged in
taking evidence against two Americans,
who are charged with impersonating
Sanitary Inspectors and thieving.

The cost of the British Legation re-
pairs at Peking arising out of the Boxer
troubles in 1900 amounts to £14,000.
£500 will be expended this year.

The London City Corporation has re-
solved to spend a sum not exceeding
£15,000 upon the Coronation festivities,
and it was referred to a committee to con-
sider the best manner of carrying them out.

Mr. J. Anderson has been re-elected
Chairman of the Singapore Chamber of
Commerce and Mr. W. H. Frizzell Vice-
Chairman. The members of Committee
are—Messrs. Choppe, Raising, Murray,
Jago, Sargent, Graham, and Allison.

A tour of the British provincial towns by
Colonial visitors to the Coronation is being
arranged by the British Empire League.
Mr. E. R. Ballins is a contributor of £22.
15s. to the fund that is being raised to
defray expenses.

The City Corporation of London are
now prepared to receive applications for
the vacant appointment of Town Clerk.
The salary has been fixed at two thousand
pounds per annum. No professional qualifi-
cation is imposed, but an age limit of
fifty for candidates has been fixed.

The following paragraph appears in a
Singapore contemporary:—The Straits Con-
tingent for the Coronation will leave by the
intermediate P. & O. steamer *Ceylon* on
the 26th April. She also carries the Hong-
kong detachment. The contingents will
be accommodated on the troop-deck, and
cubins are now being fitted up on the
vessel at Hongkong.

Outrage in the Hongkong Hotel.

Yesterday afternoon, a well-known
citizen was the victim of a distinctly and
unprovoked assault in the private bar of
the Hongkong Hotel. He was standing at
the bar talking to a friend when an in-
dividual, said to be an American, struck
him across the forehead with a full beer
bottle, at the same time alleging that
his victim had insulted him. The citizen
in question was immediately covered with
blood, but this did not prevent the Ameri-
can from throwing another bottle at him
and then decamping. Strange to say,
nobody seems to have attempted to stop
or identify the perpetrator of the outrage.

Band Performance.

On Wednesday next, the massed bands
of the 2nd Royal Welsh Fusiliers, 22nd
Bombay Infantry, 5th L.H.C., and Hong-
kong Regiment will give a performance on the
Parade Ground, under the conduct of
Bandmaster J. H. Moir, R.W.F.

The performance will last from 5 to 6.30 p.m.,
and a rare musical treat is assured. This is
the first occasion on which so many military
bands have played in Hongkong. The pro-
gramme is as follows:—
March "Under the Double Eagle" Wagner
Overture "Light Cavalry" Supp.
Sélection "Romany Girl" Carby
Valse "O'Connell's" "Coco" G.
Intermezzo from "Rusticana" Sinfonia
Sélection "San Toy" Jones
GOD SAVE THE KING.

Hongkong Volunteers.

A great deal of the secrecy which has
been observed by these in authority in con-
nection with the despatch of a contingent
of Volunteers to represent the Colony at
the coronation ceremonies, in London, in
June, seems to have been due to the fact that
they were awaiting the arrival of Captain
Pritchard, the new Commandant. The
anxious ones ought not to have long to wait
now, as Captain and Mrs. Pritchard arrived
in the Colony to-day from Singapore, per
S. S. *Lightning*. The Captain was very
popular with the Volunteers during his
short connection as Adjutant, and, when he
left to get married, the Corps made him the
recipient of a handsome present. It is to
be hoped that the Captain will become as
popular in his new role as Commandant.
We believe it is a fact, and one that is to be
regretted, that several of the young fellows
connected with the Corps are experiencing
great difficulty in obtaining their employ-
ment consent to go with the coronation con-
tingent, and that the Government has in some
instances set a bad example in this respect.

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Scarlet Fever.

Mr Douglas, the new Magistrate in the
British Police Court and Registrar of the
Supreme Court at Shanghai, is laid up
with scarlet fever.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to
acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Kwok Shun Lai Tong, £100; S. S. 50
Hongkong and Kowloon Wine and
Gin Co., Ltd., £100.

Cholera and Small-pox.

Cholera had a good many victims
during the week ended 5th inst., there
being no fewer than 29 deaths reported
among the Chinese community in the
Colony. The total number of cases was 34,
21 of which occurred in the City, 13 on
board the Chinese-owned passenger ship
Hongwah from Singapore. Six fatal cases
of small-pox (all Chinese) were reported as
occurring in the Colony. There was also
one Portuguese reported suffering from
diphtheria.

The Exchange Question.

The Singapore Chamber of Commerce
proposes to approach the Government on
the silver question, owing to the serious
fluctuations of exchange. Speaking on
this subject, at the last annual meeting, Mr.
C. Stringer said he trusted that whatever
scheme, if any, was suggested, Government
would take into consideration what was
best for residents generally and not
for bankers and brokers only, who practi-
cally made their living by fluctuations of
exchange. (Laughter.)

Illness of Mr. Pelham Warren.

The *China Gazette* of the 3rd inst.
reports:—Mr. Mansfield, ex-Consul at Can-
ton (Fuschoo) who was going home on
furlough, has been stopped at Singapore by
sickness and ordered to come back to Shanghai
to relieve our popular and able Consul-
General, Mr. Pelham Warren, C.M.G., who
has been ordered home by the doctors.
Though he has recovered somewhat from
his recent indisposition, Mr. Warren's many
friends and admirers will be sorry to hear
that he is still far from robust.

New Books on China.

Commander F. M. Norman, R.N.,
has written a book on his experiences in
the China War of 1860, which Mr. Allen
will publish under the title "Maddo's Tower"
in China. Maddo's Tower was the name
over which Commander Norman wrote a
book, *At School and at Sea*, two years ago.
Captain A. A. S. Barnes, of the First Chi-
nese, has written an account of the regi-
ment's doings and operations in the trou-
bles at Wei-hai-wei and the fighting around
Tientsin in 1900. It will be entitled *On
Active Service with the Chinese Regiment*, and
will be published by Mr. Grant
Richards.

The Russians at Newchwang.

The native papers constantly report
outrages by the Russian troops at New-
chwang. Their influence is growing daily,
and they treat the Chinese with indignities
of the worst type. The native houses are
to be kept clean and adorned by comput-
ation, and some of the natives have been
subjected to severe flogging to observe this
rule. Outrages upon the women are of
frequent occurrence, and there seems to be
no redress. [These allegations should be
accepted with extreme caution. Similar
allegations, found to be groundless, were
made in Hongkong against the Indian
troops only a few years ago.—Ed., C.M.]

Business in North China.

In their piece goods trade report of
27th ult., Messrs. Noel, Murray and Co.
write:—The interval since writing our last
circular has been very short, occupying as
it does only four days, and there is in con-
sequence little to write about. The market
generally speaking is quiet but firm, and
while the volume of business done from first
hands is comparatively small it is pleasant
to note that a few indents have been placed
with both Manchester and New York on the
basis of the prices ruling on these markets.
It is probable that the business done with
the former market has been from stock, as
we believe for forward delivery full prices
are still demanded. Business with Tien-
tsin has been much hampered by the ruinous
rate of Exchange now given by the Native
Banks, who have taken full advantage of
their position and we are given to under-
stand that at a meeting of the Tientsin ship-
pers, held recently, it was decided to curtail
shipments to a minimum quantity for a few
weeks. The rate of Exchange to-day is
925, and the native merchants are afraid if
they send forward goods on anything like a
free scale it will be forced down to the
neighbourhood of 900. Chefoo has been
much better during the past few days and a
business has been done for that market. At
Newchwang matters have been somewhat
upset by a heavy fall of snow, but to-day's
telegraphic advices indicate that prospects
continue favorable, and this is, in a way,
confirmed by the manner in which their
dealers have been buying for near delivery.
The River Ports remain very quiet, and
the market at Ningpo continues dull, their
few requirements being apparently filled at
the auctions.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Plague.

A Chinese case of plague was found
yesterday in No. 19, Lo Lung Hong Street
(No. 11 Health District). The victim died,
making the sixth fatal case this season.

Fever.

During the week ended 5th April there
were no cases reported in the Colony of
puerperal, relapsing, scarlet or typhus
fever. Enteric fever accounted for two
cases of sickness (Japanese), the invalids
being removed to Hospital.

Female Shikaris.

The Mahomah of Kuch Behar has
been entertaining a large party at his shoot-
ing camp in the Julpanguri district of
Bengal. Two of his lady guests, the Hon.
Lilian Elphinstone and Miss Evelyn
Mackenzie, were successful in killing two
tigers, three leopards, and a bear.

Ex-Inspector Quincey.

The *China Gazette* of the 3rd inst.
states:—Yuan Shih-kai having telegraphed
to Tso Tai Yuan of Shanghai to engage a
Superintendent of Police and five Indian
police constables to go up north, the Tso Tai
has engaged Mr. Wang Chin-nien (Mr.
Quincey). The day before yesterday the
Viceroy Yuan wired again to hurry him up,
and Mr. Quincey left for the north yester-
day.

India as a Health Resort.

The primary disadvantage of India as a
health resort has long been admitted to be
its excessive heat. An ingenious inventor
however, now proposes to overcome this
difficulty by using liquid air to reduce the
temperature. With science to assist us in
getting over the little difficulties afforded
by the weather, we may say, says the
Medus Mail, skate at Calcutta and play
cricket at the North Pole.

Admiral Chichester.

Sir Edward Chichester vacates com-
mand of the Fleet Reserve at Devonport
on promotion, after holding the appoint-
ment for less than a year. It is under-
stood (says the *World*) that he is to be
brought forward for other employment on
the earliest possible date. After all his
recent services this acknowledgment is due
to him, and "My Lords" would undoubtedly
be advancing the interests of the service
by providing for this able and popular
officer.

The Remount Department.

The *World* says:—Colonel Grierson,
who has been specially selected to join the
Remount Department, is the officer who
did duty on Count Von Walderssee's staff
in China. He was Military Attaché in
Berlin from 1890 to 1900, and early in the
latter year went to South Africa, being
called from there to join the allied armies
proceeding to Peking. When Sir Evelyn
Wood left the Horse Guards to take com-
mand of the Army Corps at Salisbury,
Colonel Grierson was appointed his chief
staff officer.

The Pollards.

The recent visit of Pollard's Australian
Juvenile Opera Company is still fresh in
the recollection of our readers. It appears
from the latest exchanges to land that the
talented little players have "caught on"
with our American cousins equally as well
as they did here. In Kansas City, where
they were playing in March last, they drew
crowds of admirers. It is the intention of
the management, we believe, to bring the
Company back to Hongkong in the course
of a year or so, when the Colony is sure to
give them as hearty a welcome as they got
on the occasion of their last visit. We no-
tice that the familiar names of Willie Pol-
lard, Willie Thomas, Dupine Trott and
others who used to delight us still appear
in the cast.

Death of Mr. B. Byramjee.

Within a fortnight, the Parsee Com-
munity has lost another of its leading mem-
bers. Mr. B. Byramjee, known to the
Parsees as Mr. Bomanjee Byramjee Dhan-
patel, died yesterday afternoon at the Peak
Hospital. The deceased came to Hong-
kong about 35 years ago, and was doing the
business of an Exchange Broker. He was
buried according to the Zoroastrian Custom
this morning. The funeral was attended
by nearly all the Parsees, Sir T. Jackson,
Hon. J. J. Hall-Ing, Mr. V. A. C. Haw-
kins, Mr. C. W. Dickson, several other
Europeans, Mahomedans and Jews. The
deceased was buried by the side of his
father, who had died here on 10th Septem-
ber, 1858. The deceased was about 55
years old, and leaves a widow. The
deceased had lost his only daughter, Baijai
Ardesheer Cama, and that sad event had
greatly told on his health.

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Panjom Crushing.

The Acting Secretary of the Panjom
Mining Co., Ltd., informs us that another
trial crushing of sixty tons of surface stone
from Swah has been made, and that this
yielded 13 cwt. 6 dwts. of smelted gold, or
the equivalent of 4 dwts. 10.4 grains per
ton, which is 14 grains per ton better than
the first trial made.

Captured.

The Hongkong Police have been
successful in capturing in the City four
men who are accused of robbery and other
crimes in Chinese territory. They are, we
believe, villains of a very dark colour, and
the community will be glad to learn that
they are to be handed over to the Chinese
authorities, who will deal with them in a
manner which their crimes deserve.

A Shocking Death.

An eight-years-old Chinese boy, living
with his parents at No. 17, Gage Street,
met with a shocking death yesterday. He
had been left in the house in charge of a
very young servant girl, and climbed upon a
low railing separating the sitting room
from the back yard. Losing his hold, the
little fellow fell into the back yard, a
distance of 72 feet, and died of his injuries

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